

**Regular Meeting Minutes
Tiverton Recycling Committee
Thursday July 31, 2008 at 6:30 PM
Town Hall, 343 Highland Road, Tiverton**

Members Present: Deborah Dupont, Rachel Melo, Steve Rys,

Members Absent: Cheri Olf

Town Delegation: Jay Edwards

Public Delegation: None

- I. S. Rys called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM
- II. The minutes from the June 26 meetings were reviewed. D. Dupont made a motion to accept the minutes. S. Rys seconded the motion.
- III. Jay Edwards, Town Councilor, Chairman of the Landfill Subcommittee, was present. He explained that the three year contract with Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation for processing recyclables ends October 31, 2008. The Landfill Subcommittee is investigating the feasibility of the Town selling it's recyclables to a company other than Rhode Island Resource Recovery.
- IV. S. Rys suggested that if recycling bins are not put out on trash day, trash will not be picked up. A discussion took place. There are numerous pros and cons, therefore this suggestion will be tabled to a later meeting.
- V. The Spring Yard Waste pick ups took place on regular trash days. It was observed that the yard waste sometimes got put in with regular trash. A suggestion will be made to the Department of Public Works to have a separate yard waste pick up on Saturdays.
- VI. The Landfill Subcommittee's main goal is to extend the life of the Landfill. This is the same goal as the Recycling Committee. It was suggested that the Recycling Committee and the Landfill Subcommittee combine. J. Edwards will discuss this suggestion with the Town Administrator.

- VII. S. Rys attended the Landfill Subcommittee's latest meeting. The following recommendations were made:
- Separate Materials at Landfill-
 - Tires
 - Mattresses/box springs
 - Homeowner Construction materials
 - Computers/Televisions
 - Curbside Enforcement-
 - No recycling bin/No trash pickup
 - Prohibit the pickup of trash in cardboard boxes
 - Bring white goods pick up back in house
 - Increase penalties and enforcement of illegal dumping of trash
- VIII. A copy of a letter written by Representative John J. Laughlin II, on the Town of Tiverton's behalf, requesting participation in the Recycling Participation Grant Program was submitted for review.
- IX. Recycling at the ball fields was discussed. The Cyclemax bins are not being used at concession stands because the sports organizations do not want to burden the volunteers. The permanent type containers should be put at each concession stand.
- X. Pardon Gray day will take place on Saturday September 13 from 10:00 to 4:00. S. Rys, D. Dupont and R. Melo will all be available to man a booth at the event. S. Rys will make up a Questionnaire to get interaction with residents and solicit citizen input on recycling.
- XI. R. Melo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. S. Rys seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Minutes were recorded by Rachel Melo.